02/09/1997	17055.43	8374.87				
06/11/1997			409	409	222	168
07/11/1997		7918.04				
25/12/1997		7996.84				
01/03/1998		7839.24				
01/04/1998			411	411	223	169
04/04/1998		7645.47				
03/06/1998	15795.43					
20/05/1998		7536.89				
09/01/1999		6722.37				
28/02/1999	15399.01	6621.76				
01/04/1999			413	413	224	170
20/04/1999		6882.15				
06/10/1999		9634.60				
05/01/2000			462	462	257	257

NOTE: EX-STORAGE POINT PRICES ARE EXCLUSIVE OF DUTY, FREIGHT, LOCAL LEVIES ETC.

Petrol and LPG outlets in Pondicherry

91. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of petrol/diesel, LPG distribution outlets published calling for applications by different companies in the last five years in the Union Territory of Pondicherry;

(b) how many applications have been received, so far;

(c) the details thereof; and

(d) by when all the published outlets will be allotted to the applicants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) to (d) 5 retail outlet dealerships and 6 LPG distributorships have been advertised by the Oil Companies during

the last 5 years in Union Territory of Pondicherry. Out of the above 3 Retail Outlets and 2 LPG distributorships have been commissioned. Commissioning of one more LPG distributorship is in progress. Selection of dealers/distributors is made by Dealer Selection Boards as per procedure. Dealer Selection Boards have since been dissolved. It generally takes 6 to 12 months for commissioning of the dealerships/distributorships after interview.

Formula for the revision of dealers commission

92. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 4094 given in the Rajya Sabha on 23rd July, 1998 and state:

(a) whether the petrol pump dealers commission is increased due to increase in minimum wages as per fixed formula;

(b) whether this formula is practical;

(c) if so, how much per kilo litre increase in MS and HSD commission is given to dealers with every increase in 100 points in AICPI;

(d) what is the formula for increasing LPG distributors commission on this account; and

(e) whether petrol pump dealers commission formula would be reconsidered and made practicable, if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a), (b) and (d) There is an approved formula for compensating the MS/HSD dealers and LPG distributors on account of increase in wages/salaries as under:—

$$\text{Revised Commission} = \text{Existing Commission} \left(1 + F \times \frac{\text{New AICPI} - \text{OLD AICPI}}{\text{Old AICPI}}\right)$$

Where F denotes the factor which is 0.05.